IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Shigeyuki MARUNAKA et al.

Title: METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF SOLID PHARMACEUTICAL

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: